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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This Response is submitted in response to the non-final Office Action mailed May 22, 2007.

The Office Action entered a restriction requirement between the following patentably distinct inventions.

Group 1, claims 1 through 8, drawn to an interior panel.

Group 2, claims 9 and 10, drawn to a method of manufacture.

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In response, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-8.

Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and request a Notice of Allowance be issued.

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